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DUGAN & MACKOY,
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NEW BOOKS,

Life of John Calvin;
Evenings at Wood Lawn;
Humboldt's Aspects of Nature;
Merry Boat by Dr. Spring;
Warren or the Chances of the Nile;
St. Leger or the Throats of Life;
Cavaliers of Reform and Reformers;
The Mountains of the Bible, their scenes and their Lessons, by Dr. McFarland.
Just received and for sale by
J. STEPHENSON & Co.

Miscellaneous.

From the Lewisburg (Pa.) Chronicle.

A MUSICAL WONDER.—We have just encountered one of the most extraordinary natural curiosities under the sun, Solomon's proverb to the contrary, notwithstanding. Mr. James Sharp, a young man, now in town, from Huntingdon county, is endowed by nature with a method of producing musical sounds, that is quite incomprehensible to the spectator, and appears to be almost equally so to himself. By inflating the lungs fully, he throws out a stream of heavy bass, on a low, uniform key, which seems to be produced in the usual method of singing; but it is accompanied, at the same time, by a secondary, and totally independent sound, four or five octaves above the bass, produced by some strange conformation of the vocal organs, half metallic, half flute-like, clear, sweet and distinct, without any articulation with the lips, but perfectly under the control of his will, and with which he plays, accurately, any tune that he is acquainted with. Mr. Sharp only discovered his possession of this wonderful faculty a few weeks ago, and can give us no other explanation of it than that all he has to do, is to take a full breath, and while throwing it out think what tune he wants to play, and the music flows accordingly, like water from a fountain. He is a young man of limited education and musical attainment, but is frank and manly in his appearance, and bears an unblemished character. Ventri- quism will not account for the phenomenon, and physicians who have examined him, can discern nothing remarkable, except extraordinary action of the upper part of the lungs. One person present intimated that he ought to be required to prove that he hadn't swallowed a musical box or flageolet; and another thought he must have an Æolian Attachment to his lungs.

Mrs. Partington's Last.

The following opinion of Mrs. Partington upon a medical lecture, is a fair specimen of the ideas which very many entertain after hearing a discourse fully interspersed with the phrases which no one can understand, without going through a regular course of study, and which very few understand, however glibly they may be able to run them off. The faculty are beginning to see the necessity of couching their language in plain English, and for their reputation, the sooner they do so, the better.

Joshua inquired of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Partington, how she liked Dr. Wieting's lecture, yesterday.

"Ah! Josh," said the old lady, with enthusiasm, "I succeeded my most sanguinary expectations."

"Tell me all about it, mother," continued Joshua, coaxingly.

The old lady gave him a side look, and remarked, that "When the doctor mounted the podium, he dwelt on the causes which debilitate the catastrophe, and throws the chimerical fluid through the aqueducts, and preponderates the diaphragm, thereby upsetting the carbuncles on the back lobe of the spinal thorax. The dropsical pabulum then reiterates into a diagonal perspiration, paroxysms the globular apostrophe into the glanders, throws the gastric unities bottom upwards, and then deteriorates in a preparation of blind staggers. Should the annual cistern become infatuated, the liver explodes. In this case, the vital instinct becomes degenerated, and—"

"Never mind the rest," said Joshua, making for the door; "I guess that'll do."

Mrs. P. wiped her nose with a cotton handkerchief, and went on to "narrow" the woolen stocking.

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.—Somebody says that a young lady should always ask the four following questions before accepting the hand of a young man:

Is he honorable?
Is he kind of heart?
Can he support us comfortably?
Does he take a newspaper and pay in advance?

Mrs. Partington is of the opinion that Mount Vesuvius should take "Townsend's Sarsaparilla, to cure itself of eruption."

The old lady thinks it has been raining so long, nothing else would stay on its stomach.

THE YELLOW FEVER AT PARA.—The brig Garland arrived at Salem, Mass., May 1st, from Para, April 6th, announced that the yellow fever was raging there with great virulence, and that large numbers both of foreigners and natives, had died.

Mr. Richard Ryan, the British consul, died April 24. Much alarm prevailed, thirteen persons took passage in the Garland, for this port.

FROM VENEZUELA.—The schooner Sumbra, from Porto Cabello, 9th ult. arrived at Boston on the 2d.

The Captain reports that just as he left Gen. Paex was being placed on board a steamer for banishment to St. Thomas.

Letters speak of the country as being in a rapidly improving state, and the party feuds which have hitherto devastated the country, are said to be fast disappearing.

Rev. Dr. Burns of London, recently declared, in a public meeting, that there are in Great Britain at least three millions of professing Christians, who expend each not less than one pound sterling per annum in strong drink, equal to \$15,000,000.

The U. S. Ship Ohio, which arrived at Boston on Saturday, has been in commission 41 months, during which time she sailed 63,000 miles. She brought \$65,938 in specie, and \$225,000 in gold dust. After the crew shall have been paid off, the ship will be taken into dock to be thoroughly repaired. Although there were fifty cases of yellow fever on board within three weeks after leaving Rio Janeiro, yet after the loss of five officers and eleven of her crew, the

Arrival of the Empire from Chagres—Latest from California.

New York, May 8th.
Steamer Empire arrived here this morning from Chagres, bringing one month's later news from California. Steamer California arrived at Panama with \$1,600,000 in gold, and sailed again full of passengers for San Francisco.

Commercial News.
SAN FRANCISCO, March 29, 1850.

The continuation of fine weather is beginning to produce an effect on our torpid markets: although there have been no transactions of any note, still there is a disposition evidently for extended operations, which we doubt not will be more apparent after the sailing of steamer. Another feature of great importance to our trade is the decline in rates of interest in —, the high rates heretofore maintained having been in the way of operations.

From the Pacific News, March 30th.
HONORS TO COL. JACK HAYS.—Our streets were greatly enlivened last night, by processions of the friends of Col. Jack Hays. The gathering at Red House, it is said, numbered over one thousand.

Henry Hertz.—We are gratified to learn that Mr. Henry Hertz, having completed his arrangement, will give his first concert in San Francisco, on Tuesday evening next. This unequalled artist will receive a true California welcome.

The San Joaquin valley from Pacific brings news March 30. We learn from a friend that trains towards the southern mines are increasing every day—prospects in that region the coming season are more flattering than last year—new places are discovered as explorations are made by adventurous citizens. Stockton is said to be growing rapidly.—Business is becoming brisk as the roads to the mines become passable. The new city of San Joaquin of which we have before spoken favorably is increasing with magical rapidity, and will become this season a town of great importance and extensive trade. We do not know of a new city in the valley that is more advantageously situated on high and beautiful ground, and which offers greater inducements for profitable investments.

Died at Santa Marcy port of dysentery, Mr. Andrew Johnson of Cincinnati aged 20 years.

NEW YORK, May 6—24 P. M.
It is not yet known what amount of gold the Empire City brought. Cherokee is below with bulk of gold and will not be up till 5 o'clock this evening.

BALTIMORE, May 7.
Ship Andalusia arrived at this port yesterday, from California, with a valuable cargo of Copper ore, Gold dust, skins, &c. She is the first Baltimore vessel returned from California.

NEW ORLEANS, May 3.
Cambria's news has been received, which has unsettled the markets—holders asking 40 to 45 higher. Whiskey 23 1/2. Freight excessively depressed. Cotton to Liverpool \$1.00 per bale.

Steamship Falcon sailed for Chagres via Havana, with 240 passengers. Raining and very stormy to-day.

May 5.
Steamer Alameda arrived from Chagres with 100 passengers, \$275,000 in California gold. She brings no later news from California.

Foreign Items.
The Rev. Canon B. Wier, the poet, who so controversy by Byron may be recollected by many, died at Salisbury in England, on the 7th instant, at the advanced age of 89.

The inhabitants of Sheffield are about to erect a monument to Ebenezer Elliott, the corn-law rhymist.

Accounts from Russia announce that M. Bismarck, minister of the Czar to the United States, instead of being banished to Siberia has been decorated by the Emperor with the grand cross of the order of "Waldemar," and will shortly set out on his return to Washington.

Marlborough House, the residence of the late Queen Dowager, has been given by her Majesty to the prince of Wales.

It is stated in the Berliner Allgemeine Kirchen Zeitung, that the Jews have obtained a firm from the Porte, granting them permission to build a temple on Mount Zion. The projected edifice is to equal Solomon's temple in magnificence. Millions of money are said to have been collected for the purpose in America alone.

The Emperor of Morocco has sent some native African animals and birds, as presents to Queen Victoria. They consist of a lion, lioness, tiger, five gazelles, and two pair of ostriches.

Sixteen human skeletons, of apparently full grown persons, have lately been discovered in a field belonging to Mr. Nigar, of Upton, in England, by a man employed in cutting a ditch.

The Sultan of Turkey had a daughter born to him last month. In a few days after his birth his ministers and other dignitaries were invited to the funeral of the little creature, which lived but to receive the name of Mukabile, (Fortune.)

The instruction in Cretan is at an end.

The Austrian Cabinet has intimated that in regard to the attitude of Prussia, on the German question, Austria will not be the first to break the peace of Europe, but that she will not allow any other German power to attempt anything contrary to the treaty of 1815.

Major General Smith, E. I. D. S., has arrived in England after having been

LAWS OF OHIO.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

AN ACT

Relating to the election of members of the Convention to revise the Constitution.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the judges of election who may receive the ballots for township officers on the first Monday of April, 1850, shall also receive the ballots for members of the Convention to revise the constitution, and deposit them in separate ballot-boxes, to be prepared for that purpose; and whenever, in the opinion of such judges, it shall be necessary, additional clerks shall be chosen, and separate poll-books shall, in all cases, be kept of the electors voting for members of said Convention, which shall be certified and returned in the same manner that poll-books are required by law to be kept, certified and returned, at the election of Senators and Representatives to the General Assembly.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State is hereby required, forthwith to procure from the printer to the Senate, and cause to be transmitted to the Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas of the State, such a number of copies of this act as shall be sufficient to supply a copy to each board of judges of election, in their respective counties.

BENJAMIN F. LEITER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES C. CONVERS,
Speaker of the Senate.

March 15, 1850.

AN ACT

To amend "An act allowing and regulating attachments, passed January 17th, 1824, and

"An act allowing and regulating writs of attachment before justices of the peace," passed January 17th, 1824.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That if any creditor, whether resident of the State of Ohio or elsewhere, his agent or attorney, shall make oath or affirmation in writing before any proper authority, that any corporation incorporated or existing by the law of any other of the United States, or of any district or territory thereof, or of any other country, is his debtor, and file the same in the manner prescribed by the said acts respectively of which this is amendatory, such creditor shall be entitled to the like remedy, process and proceedings in all respects against such corporation, as are provided by the said acts respectively (or any acts amendatory thereof,) against absconding or non-resident debtors.

Sec. 2. Such corporation may discharge its property and money attached, by procuring bond to be executed to the attaching officer, with two good and sufficient sureties within the county where attachment may be executed, in double the amount of the appraisal of such property and moneys, conditioned that such property and moneys, or double the appraised value thereof, shall be forthcoming to answer the judgment or any order of the court under such proceedings.

Sec. 3. That if any such corporation shall expire by limitation of forfeiture of its charter, or otherwise, after a writ of attachment shall have issued against it, such writ shall not thereby abate, but the same shall be carried on to judgment, sale and distribution as if such expiration had not happened.

BENJAMIN F. LEITER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES C. CONVERS,
Speaker of the Senate.

Feb. 6, 1850.

AN ACT

In amendment of the practice of the judicial courts.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That in all cases in error, or certiorari, the defendant in error, or certiorari, shall be at liberty to plead any matters which go in abatement, or in bar thereof, notwithstanding he at the same time file the general plea in nullo est erratum; and in all cases in which any such plea in abatement, or in bar, shall be filed with the plea in nullo est erratum, the issue upon the latter plea shall be determined before the issue upon such plea in abatement, or in bar, shall be tried.

Sec. 2. That the respective clerks of the court of common pleas, superior court of Cincinnati, commercial court of Cincinnati, and superior court of Cleveland, shall in making return to writs of error, or of certiorari, send up to the supreme court, duly certified copies of the original files, process, pleadings, and exceptions, as well as duly certified transcripts of all journal entries of the proceedings and judgment of their respective courts, in the particular case named in the writs.—Provided, that said clerk shall omit from such return, copies of all such parts of said files, and other papers or documents in any such case as they may be instructed so to do, by the direction in writing of both parties, to such suit, to be filed in the office of such clerk; and a copy of which said written direction shall be annexed to and certified, with such return.

Sec. 3. So much of the sixth section of the "act to regulate the judicial courts and the practice thereof," passed March 12, 1845, as required the original files and pleadings to be annexed to and returned with the writ of error, be and the same is hereby repealed.

BENJAMIN F. LEITER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES C. CONVERS,
Speaker of the Senate.

March 21, 1850.

AN ACT

Further to amend the act entitled "An act allowing and regulating writs of attachment before justices of the peace," passed January 7, 1824.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That if on the return of a writ of attachment issued against the goods, chattels, rights, credits, moneys, and effects of a non-resident debtor, under and by virtue of the act entitled "An act allowing and regulating writs of attachment before justices of the peace," passed January 7, 1824, it shall appear to the justice issuing the same, that there are no goods, chattels, rights, credits, moneys, and effects, or not a sufficiency thereof, whereon to levy, and it shall further appear, either from the affidavit originally filed with said writ, or from the return of the sheriff, or from an affidavit of said plaintiff, his agent or attorney, filed subsequently thereto, that said defendant is not a resident of the State of Ohio, the justice shall on the application of the plaintiff, his agent or attorney, make out

Sec. 2. The party or his agent, receiving such transcript, may deliver the same to the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county within which such justice shall reside, and it shall be the duty of such clerk to file the same in his office, and issue a writ of attachment thereon, directed to the sheriff of said county, commanding him to attach the lands and tenements of said defendant within such county, and the same proceedings shall be had thereon as in other cases of attachment sued out originally from said court of common pleas.

BENJAMIN F. LEITER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES C. CONVERS,
Speaker of the Senate.

March 14, 1850.

AN ACT

Further to amend the act regulating Judgments and Executions.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That before any officer named in the seventeenth section of the act, regulating judgments and executions, passed the first day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, shall be excused from giving the